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ROCKET TEST FACILITY

ZAGORSK, USSR
56-25N - 3910E

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1. [REDACTED] REPORTED THAT IN 1947 REPRESENTATIVES OF NII/PLANT 88 MOSCOW/KALININGRAD AND AN ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION ORGANIZATION SELECTED THIS SITE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A DEVELOPMENT/ACCEPTANCE TEST FACILITY FOR ROCKET ENGINES AND MISSILE ASSEMBLIES. VERY LITTLE WAS KNOWN OF THE STATUS OF THE FACILITY UNTIL THE SUMMER OF [REDACTED] WHEN EXTENSIVE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY WAS REPORTED BY REPLICATED [REDACTED] ROCKET ENGINES WERE REPORTEDLY BEING TESTED ON A FAIRLY REGULAR BASIS AT ONE COMPLETED VERTICAL TEST STAND AND A SECOND COMPLETED HORIZONTAL STAND WAS REPORTEDLY USED FOR TESTING SMALL MISSILES. A THIRD LARGE RAIL SERVED TEST STAND WAS IN THE LATE STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION IN [REDACTED]

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25X1D DURING THE SUMMER OF [REDACTED] THE ZAGORSK FACILITY WAS CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH OKB/PLANT 456 KHMKI, THE LEADING ROCKET ENGINE DESIGN BUREAU AND NII/PLANT 88, KALININGRAD THE LEADING SPACECRAFT DESIGN & PRODUCTION CENTER AND A LEADING MISSILE DESIGNER. DURING THE SAME YEAR, ONE SOURCE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED A SHYSTER (SS-3) MISSILE TRANSPORTER IN THE AREA. THE ZAGORSK INSTALLATION SEEMS TO HAVE PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE AS A SUPPORT ACTIVITY FOR THE LEADING SOVIET ROCKET DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES.

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2. THE TEST FACILITY WAS FIRST OBSERVED ON KH MISSION [REDACTED] BUT VERY FEW DETAILS COULD BE DISCERNED.
3. [REDACTED] REPORTED THAT 3 APPARENTLY OPERATIONAL VERTICAL TEST STANDS WERE OBSERVED. IN LIGHT OF COLLATERAL INFORMATION IT APPEARS THAT THE FACILITY DID NOT CHANGE MUCH BETWEEN [REDACTED]
4. THREE SUBSEQUENT KH MISSIONS COVERED THIS INSTALLATION BUT REVEALED LITTLE CHANGE.
5. [REDACTED] REVEALED THAT THE ASSEMBLY/CHECKOUT BUILDING FOR TEST STAND NO 1 HAD DOUBLED IN SIZE, A NEW ROAD HAD BEEN COMPLETED TO GIVE ACCESS TO THE TEST FACILITY FROM THE WEST, AND A SMALL HOUSING/ STORAGE AREA HAD BEEN CONSTRUCTED ADJACENT TO THE NEW ROAD SINCE MISSION [REDACTED]
6. [REDACTED] REPORTED THAT THE APRON AT TEST STAND NO 1 HAD BEEN WIDENED NEAR THE RECENTLY ENLARGED ASSEMBLY/CHECKOUT BUILDING, A LARGE NEW SUPPORT BUILDING IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION SW OF THE ASSEMBLY/ CHECKOUT BUILDING, AND THAT SOME UNIDENTIFIED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY WAS UNDERWAY AT THE EAST SIDE OF THE TEST FACILITY.
7. [REDACTED] REVEALED THAT THE LARGE SUPPORT BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN [REDACTED] WAS NEWLY COMPLETED.
8. THIS MISSION REVEALS A NEWLY IDENTIFIED SMALL VERTICAL TEST STAND IS LOCATED BETWEEN TEST STANDS 1 AND 2. THIS STAND HAS BEEN PRESENT

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SINCE MISSION [REDACTED] BUT WAS NOT IDENTIFIED AT THAT TIME.

THE ADDITION TO THE LARGE ASSEMBLY/CHECKOUT BUILDING FOR TEST

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STAND NO. 1 HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND A NEW SUPPORT BUILDING HAS BEEN

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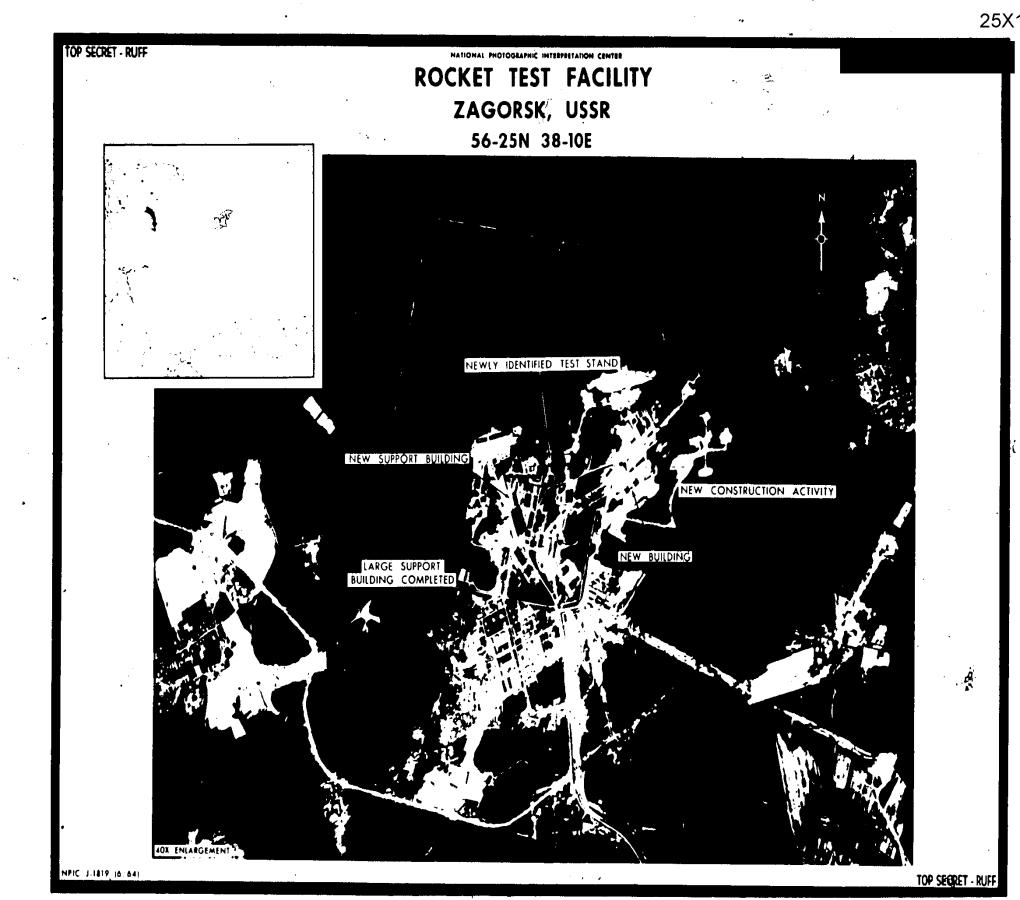
CONSTRUCTED ON THE APRON SINCE [REDACTED] ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION

**SINCE [REDACTED] INCLUDES A BUILDING IN AN AREA OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY
ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE FACILITY AND NEW CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY
NEARBY. NUMEROUS STRUCTURES AND AREAS OF EARTH SCARRING PREVIOUSLY
NOT VISIBLE CAN NOW BE OBSERVED. NO OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY OBSERVED.**

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